

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/675,422 Confirmation No. 3868
Applicant : YAMAGUCHI, Akira et al.
Filing Date : September 29, 2000
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Examiner : TSANG FOSTER, Susy N.
Title : Nonaqueous Electrolyte Secondary Cell

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 11, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendment:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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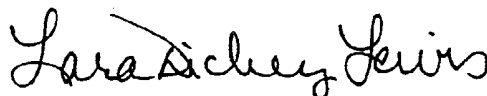
questions regarding the foregoing, she is encouraged to call the undersigned at 816.460.2516.

Should any fees be necessitated by this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any such fees from Deposit Account No. 19-3140.

Respectfully submitted,

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